## Historic Preservation Commission January 19, 2006

## Meeting Notes

Members present: Tim Francis; (Jerry Berggren, Bruce Helwig, Jim McKee, Bob Ripley, Carol Walker, Terry Young absent). Ed Zimmer and Teresa McKinstry of the Planning Dept.

## **DISCUSSION:**

Concepts for expanded uses at Westview, the former Lancaster County Poor Farm, 7000 NW 27<sup>th</sup> St.

Jim Burden stated that he wanted to solicit advice on what can and can't be done with the property. He wondered if it would be possible to add on a large room to rent out for large gatherings.

Colleen Burden stated this is not an immediate plan. This would be a possibility for the future if all is going well. They would like the opinion of this Commission if Codes says this is a viable unit for public use as an assembly space.

Ed Zimmer stated this property has a landmark designation and special use permit. There was a discussion of city staff that a swap out of suites for units didn't materially change the use permit. A bigger step would be for configuring the property for an assembly space. This would be a question in relation to the special use permit. Staff hasn't discussed this yet. He believes this would probably be a formal amendment to the permit. An administrative amendment would be a decision for the Planning Director.

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